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Re: U.S. Application No. 09/606,977

Filed: June 28, 2000

Title: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated
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Applicant: Joseph R. BYRUM

Atty. Docket: 16517.144

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Sir:

Forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is an Amendment After Final Rejection.

If any fees for net addition of claims or any extension of time fees are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such fees are hereby petitioned. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 16517.144.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 16517.144.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

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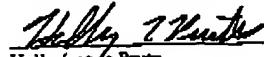
Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 8, 2003 (Paper Number 20),

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization to charge such fees is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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